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'Borra may be sued before impeachment'

By Norman Bordadora

THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN CAN FILE charges in the Sandiganbayan against officials of the Commission on Elections found liable for the botched billion-peso election computerization deal, a former Comelec chair said yesterday.

Christian Monsod, who served as Comelec chair from June 1991 to February 1995, said

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Expect no kindness, lawyers tell 'Nicole'

By Volt Contreras

WHEN "NICOLE" TAKES THE WITNESS STAND tomorrow, she will "expect no kindness."

The 22-year-old complainant in the Subic rape case was yesterday given this fundamental piece of advice by her lawyers as she prepared to take the stand for her first public confrontation with the four US Marines who allegedly

EXPECT NO/A4

Calderon is new PNP chief; Lomibao bows out



PNP CHIEF contender, Deputy Director for Operations Avelino Razon (left), loses out to Deputy Director General Oscar Calderon.

By Luige A. del Puerto

BEFORE THE CALL FROM MALACAÑANG came at around 7 a.m. yesterday Oscar Calderon said it felt like it was "on the eve of your wedding day."

When finally his phone rang and he heard Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita tell him, "Congratulations ... Carry on," the Deputy Director General and second in command of the 118,000-strong Philippine National Police said he began to feel he was levitating.

"We are all veterans of battles, but the excitement and nervousness of waiting is different," Calderon said of his appointment by President Macapagal-Arroyo as the new PNP chief. "It was the

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HE'S HOT as he exits; and so to bed.

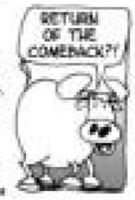
'Mr. Cool' says goodbye with a song; he'll say hello soon

By Luige A. del Puerto

STRUMMING A GUITAR AND belting out a 1960s John Denver song, the man who helped keep President Macapagal-Arroyo in power during the tumultuous "Garci" days said goodbye to his men hinting that he might be back in government.

No sooner had outgoing Philippine National Police Director General Arturo Lomibao's

MR. COOL/A6



Reds' peace bid rejected

Gov't sticks to war as NDF works out revival of talks in Norway



PRESIDENT ARROYO joins the celebration of the 47th Araw ng Lanao del Norte at the Mindanao Civic Center gymnasium in the capital town of Tubod on Tuesday.



WEIGHT GAIN. Jose Maria Sison's latest photo shows he has put on a lot of extra pounds since he stopped smoking two years ago. This photo was taken at Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport.

By Christine O. Avendaño

MALACAÑANG REmains committed to pursuing its all-out war against communist rebels even if exiled leaders of the communist-led National Democratic Front have asked Norway to convince President Macapagal-Arroyo to return to the negotiating table.

In a statement, the NDF said it had sent its top leadership to Oslo on Monday for four days of consultations with the Norwegian foreign ministry.

Norway had facilitated the peace talks between the Philippine government and the NDF before negotiations were scuttled in 2004.

The delegation is composed of NDF chief negotiator Luis Jalandoni, Fidel Agcaoili, Coni Ledesma, Julie de Lima and Asterio Palima.

Also present in the consultations are NDF chief political consultant Jose Ma. Sison, lawyer Romeo Capulong, NDF's senior legal adviser and NDF panel consultant Danilo Borjal.

"As far as we know the stance of government remains the same, which is no negotiations unless

REDS' PEACE/A6

AFP report backs claim of torture

By Dona Z. Pazzibugan

A MILITARY REPORT MADE PUBLIC for the first time yesterday acknowledged that the five supporters of former President Joseph Estrada could have been tortured by their military captors.

The report, prepared by a four-man military investigating panel, for the first time also identified the agents of the Intelligence Service of the Armed Forces of the Philippines linked to the alleged maltreatment.

The report named them as Lt. Col. Henry Robinson, former commander of the Military Intelligence Group 15; Navy Capt. Glen Celebrado; Army T/Sgt. Fred Ronaldi Calabines, Cesiño Remolino and Jeffrey Bukamuela; Army Sgt. Antonio Belsen III; Army Cpl. Raul Dunio; and Yeoman Chief (YNC) Mariano Reposo.

The report, whose publication had been withheld by the military, was released to media by the counsel for the so-called "Tagaytay 5"—Ruben Dionisio, Virgilio Eustaquio, Dennis Dizon, Aris Cabuntoa, and Police Officer 3 Jose Garcenego—during yesterday's pretrial investigation.

Quoting medical examination

AFP REPORT/A6

Gov't calls Danny Lim video the 'smoking gun'

By Leila B. Salaverria and Dona Z. Pazzibugan

A VIDEO SHOWING BRIG. GEN. Danilo Lim announcing withdrawal of support from President Macapagal-Arroyo during an abortive coup attempt in February has surfaced and could prove damaging to the sacked commander of the elite First Scout Ranger Regiment.

The Department of Justice announced yesterday it had obtained a copy of the controversial video, calling it a "smoking gun."

The video shows Lim seated at a table surrounded by uniformed soldiers as he read a statement. A transcript of the statement also was later released by the National Bureau of Investigation.

Earlier reports said that Lim's withdrawal of support from the President was to coincide with anti-Arroyo demonstrations marking the 20th anniversary of the People Power revolution.

Reynaldo Esmeralda, NBI regional director, said the agency was summoning Lim to determine if rebellion charges could be filed against him.

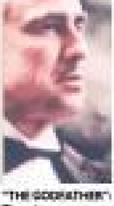
The 50-year-old Lim, confined to his quarters at Fort Bonifacio since February, was not immediately available for comment.

The DOJ announcement came after ABS-CBN television news aired the video just before midnight on Monday.

Justice Secretary Raul Gonzalez said the video vindicated the Arroyo administration and proved that the issuance of Presidential Proclamation No. 1017 on Feb. 24 declaring a state of na-

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Fil-Am woman sues Brando estate executors



"THE GODFATHER": The suit may uncover details of his final days still shrouded in mystery. AP

LOS ANGELES—A WOMAN OF FILIPINO DEscent who was Marlon Brando's caregiver, companion and "majordomo" of his household in the last years of his life has sued the executors of his estate, claiming she was cheated out of a house that the actor promised to give her.

The suit, filed on behalf of Angela Borlaza in Los Angeles Superior Court on Friday last week, said she was evicted from the house by film producer Mike Medavoy and his brother-in-law Larry J. Dressler.

It said the two men isolated Brando while he was still alive to gain control of his estate after he died.

The Oscar-winning actor, known for his roles in movies like "On the Waterfront" and "The Godfather," died on July 1, 2004.

Borlaza accused Medavoy, Dressler and Avra Douglas (a friend of Brando's daughter

FIL-AM/A6



CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP: Retired Commodore Francisco Cedula, 85, goes down memory lane with Private First Class Johann Kazan IV at the Philippine-American Friendship Garden during the US Independence Day commemoration at the US Embassy in Manila.

Erap, former beauty queen swap charges

By Nelson F. Flores and Nikko Dizon

IT'S HIS WORDS AGAINST HERS.

After ex-beauty queen Joelle Marie Pelaez reiterated her accusations that ousted President Joseph Estrada was allegedly engaged in money laundering, the latter yesterday asked his lawyers to immediately file libel cases against Pelaez here and in the United States.

Libel case



JOELLE MARIE PELAEZ is all smiles upon her arrival on Monday.

FIL-AM DAY ISSUE

Amerasians still fighting for birthright

By Tonette Orejas

Maguindanao fighting imperils peace talks

Editor's killer a VIP in jail

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BSP may take Noli up on OFW remittance raffle

Singapore Pinay held for compatriot's slay freed on bail











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Return to Everest: Pinoys to climb from both sides

By Christian V. Esguerra

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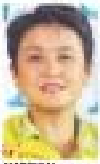
ORACION: More mountains to climb.

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Senators rush to Jamby's defense

By TJ Burgonio and Leila B. Salaverria

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Inciting to sedition?

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Calderon is new PNP chief; Lomibao bows out

Calderon 'too close' to GMA, says opposition leader



Brother is help chief

Man with a heart

By her side

Will he be different?

Support from rivals

Without a baggage

No mistresses, please

Chinoy's trust

Houses for cops

Decorated officer

13 years in Mindanao

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'Mr. Cool'

Loyal to the Chief

Crisis after crisis

Infamous CPR

Abat caper

A different man

Frontliners vs crime

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Dementia

'Loving relationship'

'Sad, sad story'

Large empire

Romulo visit to Burma reset; Suu Kyi meet uncertain



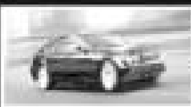
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Vintage WWII bomb found at Naia 3 road





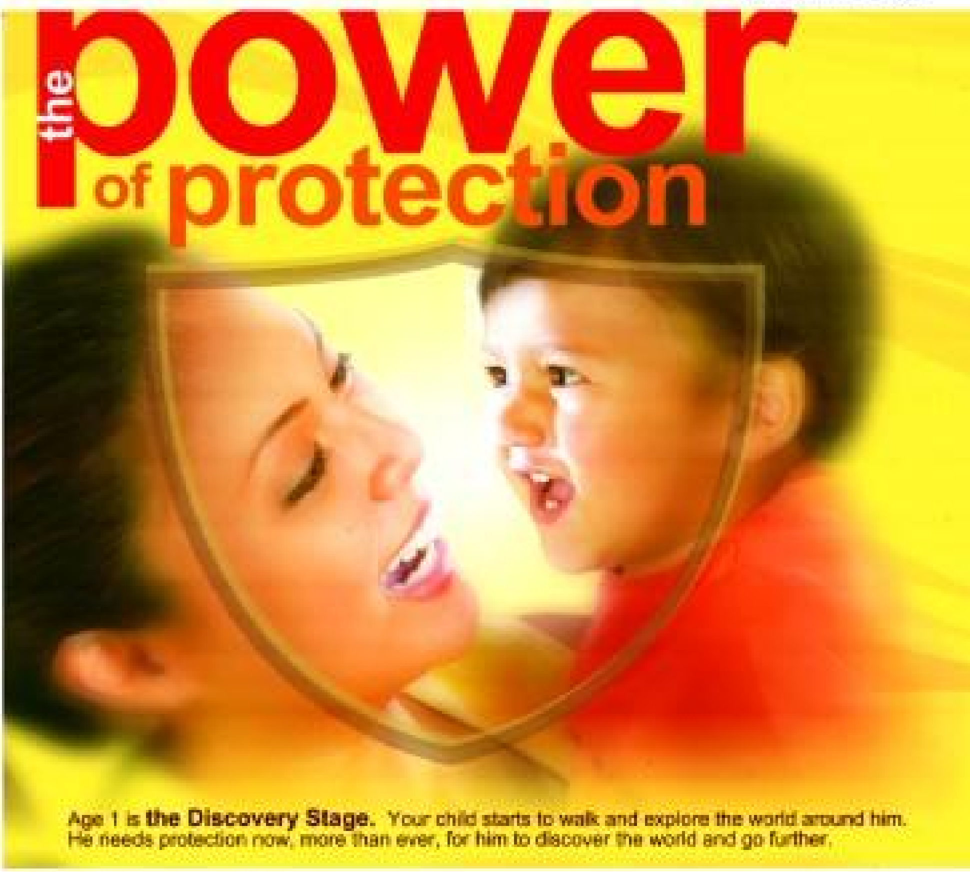
LOOKING FOR PROBABLE CAUSE

Court defers arraignment of 2 in Oakwood case



By Jocelyn R. Uy

Co-accused



'Ban names of pols, kin from gov't projects'

By Michael Lim Ubac

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Bataan gov't owns hotel, high court rules

By Leila B. Salaverria

THE SUPREME COURT HAS UPHELD THE Bataan government's ownership of a hotel and the land on which it stands, [illegible]

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The need to remember and defend Jose Rizal

Excuse for failing governance

No World Cup hype in the Philippines

A more destructive position?

INQUIRER Northern Luzon

Law grad gives new meaning to 'Aeta'

WYDA COSME, 31, STANDS OUT FOR TWO pioneering feats among the Aeta of Mount Pinatubo. "She's the first law graduate in her tribe," said Salong Sunggod, director of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) in Central Luzon.



Across the NATION

Stop the war, Maguindanao folk cry

COTABATO CITY—"THEY ARE SUFFERING AND they want the fighting stopped," Ruby Sahali, social welfare secretary of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, said of the more than 4,000 families displaced by fighting between militiamen and Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) rebels in Maguindanao.





ALBANO

Burial day of Albano declared town holiday

Pampanga court ruling replete with signs of 2004 poll fraud





Kin cry foul play on death of 2 in Baguio City hotel

Tribe leaders sue mayor for misuse of ₱30.7M

Fight over Buddha replica puzzles judge

By Delmar Cariño
PDI Northern Luzon Bureau



EX-FIRST LADY Imelda Marcos with the Buddha statue.



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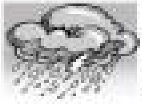
Troops repel NPA attack

Lightning kills cell phone user

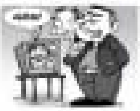


Korean missionary drowns

More natural disasters seen



Pacquiao win 'no panacea'



Town mourns mayor's death

News

Palace eases up on CBCP



Soccer scores for peace in Zambo

Aplus METRO

5 suspects in car rental swindle fall

Only 6 out of 63 cars hired by syndicate recovered by TMG







New Marikina gym to train future boxing champs



STROLLING BY THE DAY

Construction jobs for Pasay residents

5 suspects ...

5 linked to container van hijack nabbed

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PNU regents meet to tackle thorny prexy issue

WorldBriefs

Spain train mishap

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Discovery launch set

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Bin Laden accuses Iraq Shiites of genocide

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Israel tells Hamas: Sky will fall on you

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Conservative wins Mexico poll by a hair

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The WORLD

After 9/11, global transport still vulnerable

PARIS—NEARLY FIVE YEARS AFTER AL-QAIDA forever changed the way nations seek to protect their citizens, the world's transport networks still remain highly vulnerable to terrorist attack, experts and analysts say.

Many of the deadliest terrorist strikes this century involved public transport systems used by much of humanity to get from one place to another—commercial planes in the US on Sept. 11, 2001, trains in Madrid and a ferry in Manila in 2004, buses and the underground in London one year ago on July 7.

But post-9/11 national and international efforts to secure transport by land, air and sea have fallen short, making vehicles of mass transit easy targets for would-be terrorists with a serious grudge and a few thousand dollars to spend.

Nowhere, perhaps, are the weaknesses in the defenses against such attacks more evident than in commercial air traffic, despite enhanced security in airports around the world.

While it may be more difficult for a terrorist to board a plane with explosives or the intention to commit a suicide hijacking, commercial aircraft remain vulnerable, especially as they take off and land—to external attack by cheap and easily acquired shoulder-held rockets, notes Frenchman Eric Denece, author of "Tourism and Terrorism" and an expert on the mechanics of terrorism.

Just last month, Swiss police arrested seven people linked to what federal prosecutors said was a plot to down an Israeli El Al flight in Switzerland. Unconfirmed Swiss media reports said the group planned to use a rocket launcher near the Geneva airport.

Some security experts advocate equipping all commercial aircraft with electronic decoy systems to deflect surface-to-air missiles of the kind fired in 2002 at an Israeli plane near Mombasa airport in Kenya. Such a refit would cost $11 billion for the nearly 7,000 commercial planes in the US alone, according to the RAND corporation, a global policy think tank involved in research on armed forces, in California.

But such anti-missile systems are useless against the more primitive of rockets. "There is no interference possible against a RPG-7," said Denece, referring to the Soviet-made rocket launcher, a common item on the arms black market.

Ocean-going vessels, especially ships carrying thousands of [illegible] stacked six or 12-meter containers, are also easy prey, experts say.

There is little to prevent a terrorist seeking to slip, for example, a weapon of mass destruction—such as a dirty bomb composed of conventional explosives and commercially-available radioactive material—[illegible].

"If a terrorist wants to do it, he can do it," says American Michael Wall, a former [illegible] at the naval warfare center of the US Navy and currently a maritime security consultant. "Bringing a weapon of mass destruction into a port via a merchant vessel is a very realistic scenario."

And the stakes, he said, are very high. "Any major breakdown in the maritime transport system could cost dearly in terms of lives and would fundamentally cripple global trade," he added. AFP

AIDS victim may sue sex partner

PEOPLE INFECTED with the virus that causes AIDS may sue the sexual partner who transmitted the virus to them even if the partner did not do so knowingly, the California Supreme Court ruled Monday.

Bridget B. and John B., as they are known in court papers, started dating in 1998 and married in July 2000. According to Bridget, John told her he was healthy and monogamous, and he urged her to have unprotected sex with him. In October 2000, though, she tested positive for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, as did he.

Bridget later learned, her lawsuit said, that John had had sex with men before and during their marriage. She seeks compensation for emotional distress and fraud. NYT

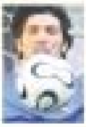


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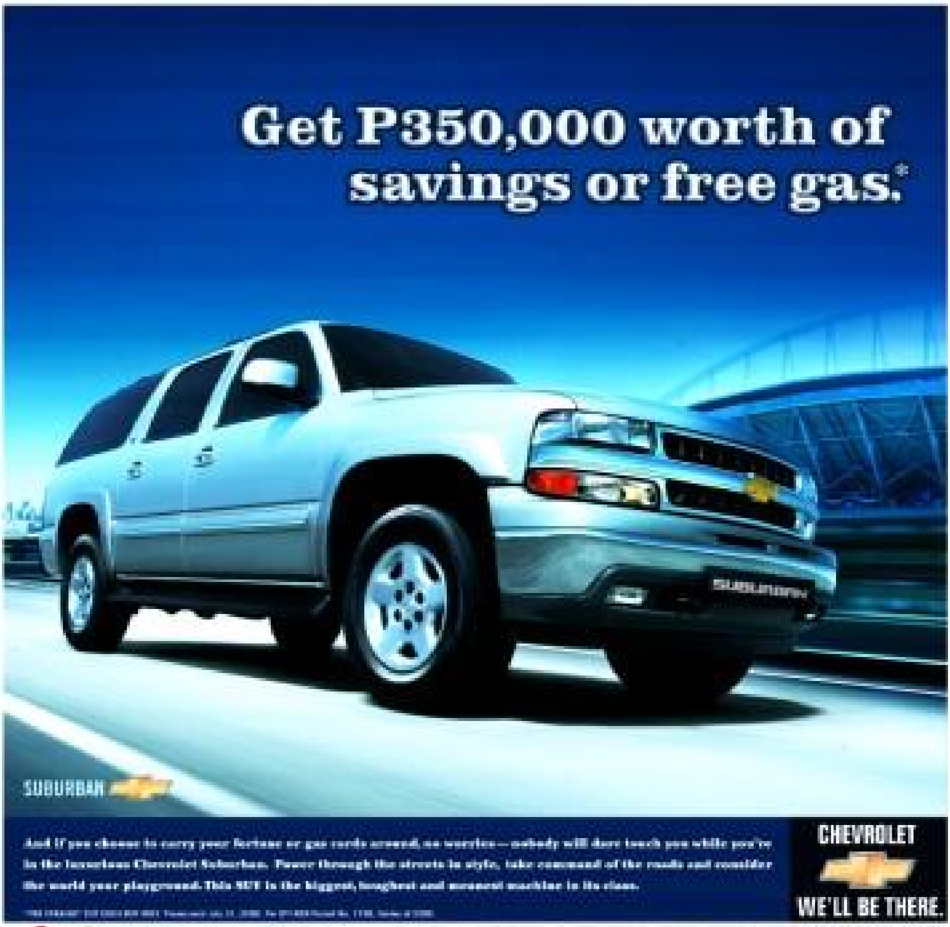


BEST-OF-7 FINALS

Bulls, Giants start PBA Philippine Cup series

PUREFOODS HAS A MODEST TARGET OF RE-capturing the crown it hasn't won in a long time. For Red Bull, this championship has an intrinsic historical value different from the exploits of the past.





Both ends meet in NCAA today

UAAP wars 'tough to call' despite Archers' absence



Bulls, Giants mainstays lead MVP race

IN HUDDLE



Beth Celis

Misunderstanding Manny Pacquiao

BARE EYE



Spring-NBC five whips Thailand nat'l squad, settles for 5th place

Filipino youth shuttlers blank Jordan, Cambodia

SPORTSWATCH

Makati derby stakes P2M

'Keepers may hold World Cup key



BOCHUM, GERMANY—The guys who keep the ball out of the net after all else breaks down could decide this World Cup. If so, Italy might have the edge with Gianluigi Buffon.

Sy, Peña lead Pinoy AF3 hopes



Metro Milo leg kicks off July 16

SPORTS

Federer makes q'finals

Battles last player to have beaten him on grass



Annika finally wins US Open

Hincapie Tour king for a day

'Big Ben' joins Chicago



Top shuttlers start JVC bids

ENTERTAINMENT



Diana Z reinvented



Gozon on 'Lukayo' suspension: We didn't violate decency laws









Producer airs disqualified entry's woes

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OPENING TODAY

United 93

Stars Lewis Alsamari, JJ Johnson, Trish Gates, Daniel Sauli

Directed by Paul Greengrass

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See No Evil

Stars Kane, Christina Vidal, Michael J. Pagan, Tiffany Lamb

Directed by Gregory Dark

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Lovewrecked

Stars Amanda Bynes, Chris Carmack, Jonathan Bennett, Jamie-Lynn DiScala

Directed by Randal Kleiser

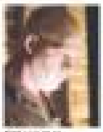
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SPL: Kill the Best Wolf

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Directed by Wilson Yip

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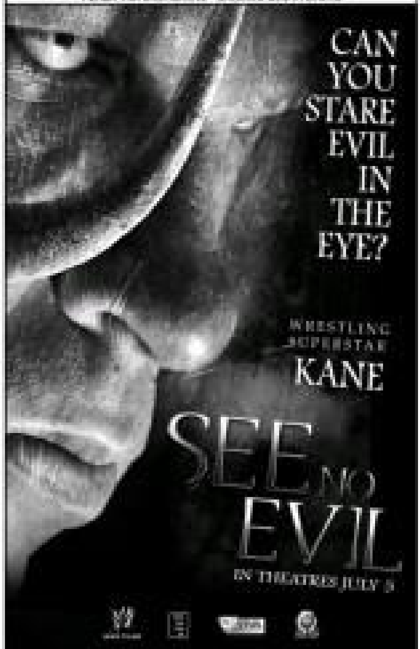


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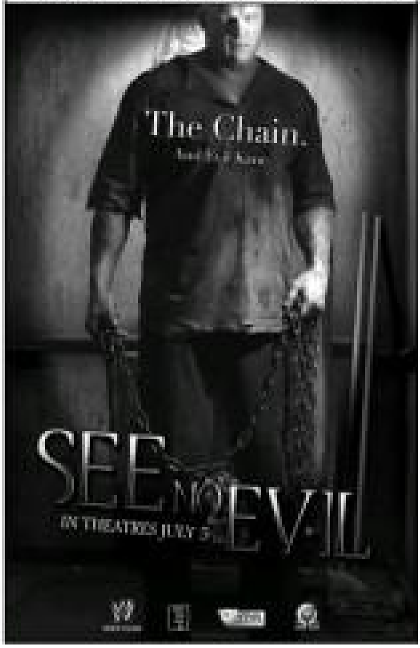
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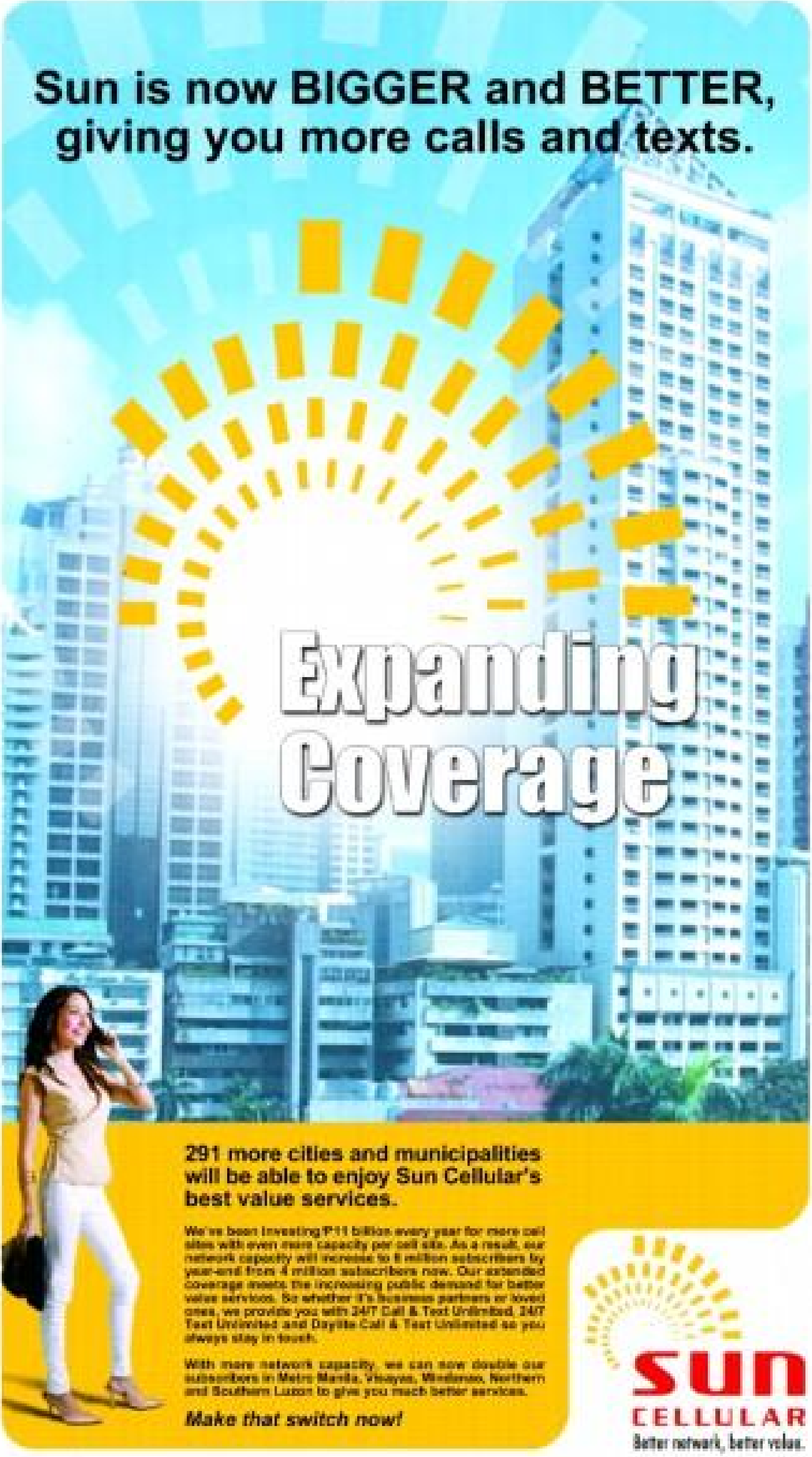
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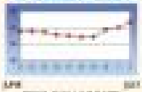
AFTER THE REMARKABLE FISCAL TURNAROUND THAT EARNED back global investor confidence, the Philippines' immediate and biggest hurdle would be to address the chronic problem of corruption, the World Bank said yesterday.

Citibank, Citisec fight over 'citi' trademark rights

Peso hits 5-week high of 52.66:$1

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5 Best Driving Roads, Summer 2006

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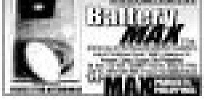


Another classic driving road

One blessing

Consistently maintained





MOTORING

What to expect from high-speed braking

By Tessa R. Salazar



A CAR reduced to "crumple zone" by a speeding bus





A 10-WHEELER TRACtor tractor head, speeding along like a sports car, would require a much longer braking distance before it could completely stop. That distance would even be longer if the truck was attached to a loaded trailer. As it is, this trailer-less truck running at 140 kph would consume a distance of at least 220 meters—or 21 full-sized buses—before it comes to a full stop.

Impact speed

Favorable conditions

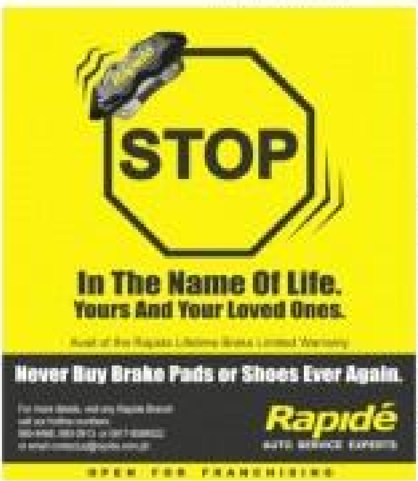
Total stopping distance

How to keep your vehicle tires in tiptop shape



Incorrect wheel chamber

Maintenance services



The podium: Mild Seven Renault Territory



ALONSO at Canada GP

Dominance

6 wins

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ZANJOE Marudo with Angelica Panganiban and Cassandra Ponti

Spontaneous combustion

Director Robby Carmona and his collaborators turned the jam-packed Araneta Coliseum into their idea of a pulsating dance floor for 'Bench Fever'

Text by Alex Y. Vergara
Photos by Chito Ferrer and Jim Guiao Punzalan

WHO SAYS YOU HAVE TO dance the night away to keep your heart pounding? As fans found out recently, all they needed to do was sit and ogle at scantily clad models and celebrities to break into a sweat and experience spontaneous palpitation.

For the first time since Bench started staging its much-awaited biannual denim and underwear show six years ago, the homegrown retail brand drew inspiration from an unlikely source: disco.

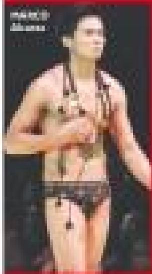
Director Robby Carmona and his collaborators, which included some of the country's leading fashion designers and celebrity stylists, turned the jam-packed Araneta Coliseum Friday night into their idea of a pulsating dance floor, complete with strobe lights, disco balls, go-go cages, giant projectors and [illegible] booth.

Just like in previous shows, "Bench Fever" featured such crowd-drawers as Richard Gomez, [illegible], Wendell Ramos, [illegible], Kristine Hermosa, Jay-R, Richard Gutierrez, Francine Prieto, Alessandra de Rossi and [illegible].

They shared the spotlight with new recruits such as [illegible], Zanjoe Marudo, Rafael Rosell, Sam Milby, [illegible] and the inimitable Ai-Ai delas Alas, who again managed to steal the show with her "sleight-of-hand" tactics.

Unlike in previous shows, Gomez, with his

SPONTANEOUS C2


MARCO Alcaraz


MAUREEN Larrazabal


JAYA

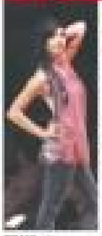

ALESSANDRA de Rossi


ANTONIO Aquitania


FRANCINE Prieto

Spontaneous combustion

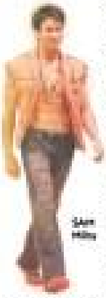
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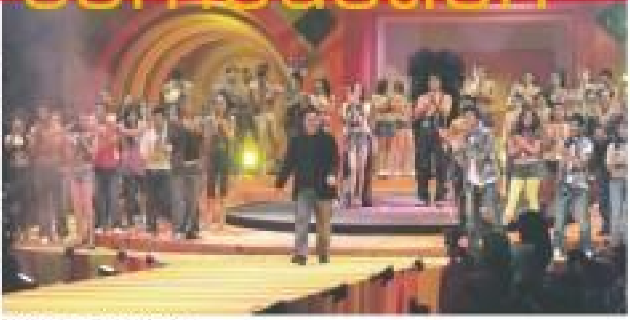

PIA Villania

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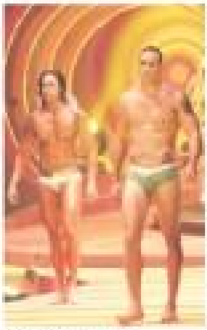
Candy-colored set

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SAM Milby


BENCH'S main man Ben Chan salutes the fans

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CARLOS Morales and Jon Hall

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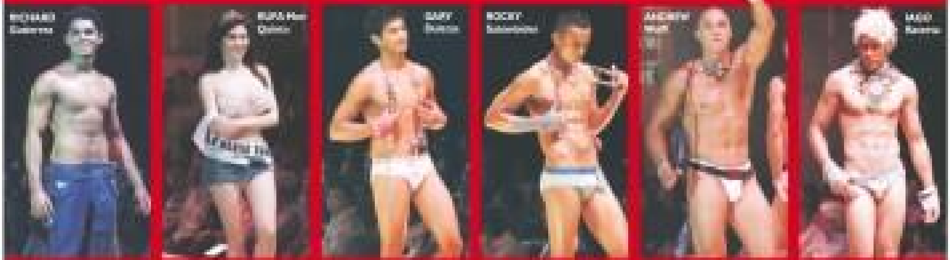
Striking images

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WENDELL Ramos


CHAN and the show's entire cast dance to the music of Sister Sledge.



Spontaneous combustion

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ed, on the other hand, opted for color and drive.

While Ocay channeled 1960s fashion with Pucci-inspired prints, bright leggings, beaded plackets and collars, Lanot opted for 1980s styling with braided and cropped tops and bottoms made of stretch and striped fabric.

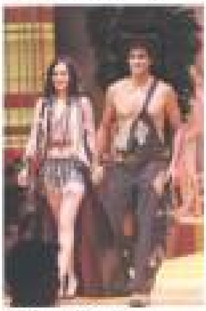
Carmona wisely saved the best part—the brilliant Samson's menswear, brand and studded denim pieces—for last. The segment also made for a fitting finale, as it featured the brand's celebrity endorsers such as Ocampo, Ramos, Milby, Quinto, Marcelo, Gutierrez and the Ecoren couple.

Amid bursts of fireworks and sprinkles of confetti, not a few fans drooled with excitement as they caught sight of their favorite sexy stars. To quote a line from one of Madonna's recent dance hits, everybody seemed all hung up on Bench.

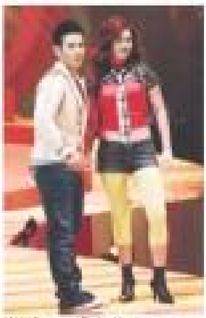
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JOHN Estrada and Kristine Reyes

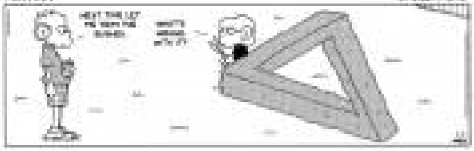


LUCY Torres and Richard Gomez

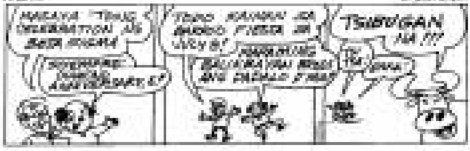


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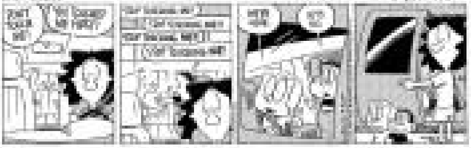
FOXTROT BY BILL AMEND



A. LIPIN



BABY BLUES BY JERRY SCOTT



PUGAD BABOY BY PM JUNIOR



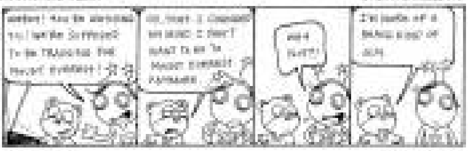
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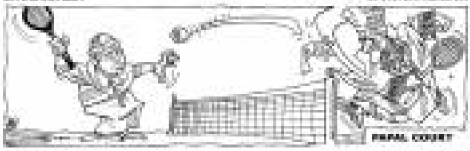
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ATOMO AND WEBBY



DIVINE COMEDY

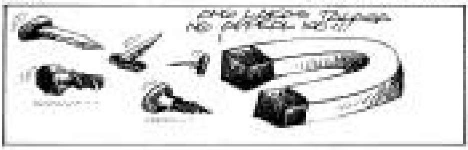


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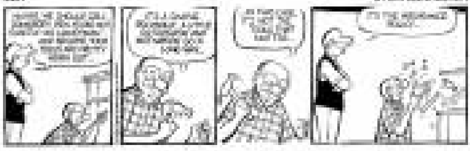




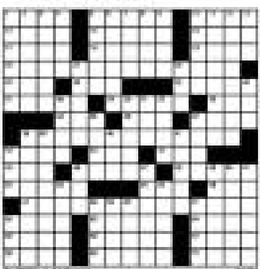
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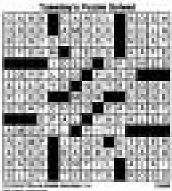


SHH BY DANIEL SHELTON



DAILY CROSSWORD





HOROSCOPE

CONCEPTIS SU DOKU

Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle

All of us can be heroes

Gawad Kalinga is showing the way for all Filipinos to work for the betterment of our country



Wretched

Alarming passion



Rock your world

These products can make your skin look fairer, perfectly complementing your neutral-colored dress

Skin-and-body whiteners in a jiffy

MY SKIN COLOR IS SO pale, you'd think I was the last person who would slap and slather on whitening creams and lotions. Add to that my perpetual aspiration to be tan, and there's your license to believe that you will never find any whitening product in my cabinet.



Face





Body



LANDER Bubble Bath

Bubble bath for mom